

BRISTOL HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION MEETING

Held: March 7, 2013, at Town Hall, 10 Court Street, Bristol, Rhode Island

Present: Chairman Oryann Lima, Members Sara Butler, Victor Cabral, Thomas Enright, Eric Hertfelder

Also Present: Nancy Letendre, Esq.

Absent: John Allen

Chairman Lima brought the meeting to order at 7:02PM.

Approval of the minutes of the January 3, 2013, and February 7, 2013, meetings was continued to the April 4, 2013, meeting (Butler/Enright 4-0).

- 1. 13-006 64 Church St., Cathy and Paul DelNero**
 2. remove/replace door awning; 7. replace bulkhead door; 8. repair or replace second floor south elevation windows

Hearing of this application was postponed pending arrival of member Cabral.

- 2. 13-007 366 Hope St., Harper Ramos Investments**
sign/s

The applicant, Dr. Mancini, was not present, the signs have already been erected. There was concern from members Hertfelder and Butler regarding the placement of the signs.

A motion was made to continue Application 13-007 to the April 4, 2013, meeting (Hertfelder/Butler 4-0).

- 3. 13-010 146 High St., Mark Hinken**
 1. replace wood gutters; 2. new fence

Property owner Mark Hinken presented. Staff Assistant photographs were marked Exhibit A, Applicant plans were marked Exhibits B-F. Mr. Hinken proposes to replace all the wood gutters with aluminum gutters and to erect a new fence. Mr. Hinken stated that the gutters were in a deteriorated state and for expense consideration would like approval of aluminum replacements.

Member Hertfelder stated that the wood gutters form a major cornice they are a continuation of the decorative style of the house as they form capitals on the simulated columns. This is a distinctive, original architectural feature of this Greek Revival style house which would be lost with the replacement of aluminum gutters. Member Hertfelder urged replacement with wood

gutters to match in style and size existing gutters. Chairman Lima stated that in the past wood gutters have been repaired with a painted in rubber membrane.

Mr. Hinken asked if he could use aluminum downspouts to which the members stated they had no problem approving. Example A photographs dated 9-6-12, 10-4-12 and 3-7-13 illustrate the identified wood gutters and details.

Chairman Lima polled the members asking if they would approve the use of replacement aluminum gutters or to continue the application to allow the owner to meet with Member Hertfelder to discuss alternatives. The result was two against aluminum replacements, two for continuing the application and one for allowing aluminum gutters.

Regarding Item 2, erect new fence, Mr. Hinken proposes a 6' solid wood fence with a flat top to be situated on the north and south property lines as shown in Exhibits B, C and F. The fence will have galvanized aluminum posts and will be shorter in the front to meet Zoning codes.

Chairman Lima invited comments from the public. There were none.

A motion was made to approve Application 13-010 as presented for a wood fence on the north and south property lines as shown in Exhibits B, C and F in accordance with Secretary of the Interior Standards #9, 10 (Hertfelder/Cabral 5-0).

Findings of Facts include that this decision conforms to the Secretary of the Interior Standards: 9, 10.

A motion was made to continue Application 13-010 for replacement of the wood gutters to the April meeting following a meeting of the owner and project monitor (Hertfelder/Butler 5-0).

Owner Hinken requested that the commission reconsider and asked for a decision at this meeting.

A motion to reconsider the motion for continuation passed unanimously (Hertfelder/Butler 5-0)

A motion was made to approve Application 13-010 for replacement of current wood gutters with replica wood gutters with approval of the use of aluminum downspouts in accordance with Secretary of the Interior Standards #6, 9, 10 (Hertfelder/Butler 4-1 (Cabral against).

Findings of Facts include that this decision conforms to the Secretary of the Interior Standards: 6, 9, 10. Also, the wood gutter forms a distinctive molding on the side of the house and meshes seamlessly with the pilasters which are consistent with Greek Revival Style.

Project Monitor: Eric Hertfelder

4. 13-012 8 Walley St., Richard and Joan Abrams

construct new garage

Property owner withdrew application.

Member Hertfelder recused himself from hearing Application 12-006.

1. 13-006 64 Church St., Cathy and Paul DelNero

2. remove/replace door awning; 7. replace bulkhead door; 8. repair or replace second floor south elevation windows

Architect Chris Fagan and property owners Cathy and Paul DelNero presented. Staff Assistant photographs were marked Exhibit A, Applicant plans were marked Exhibits AA-BB, FF. Mr. Fagan presented exhibits detailing the replacement door awning and replacement bulkhead door. Regarding the windows, Member Butler asked if an inventory of the existing windows had been made and if an expert window restorer had been consulted. Mr. Fagan stated that the contractor has done historic restoration and the contractor noted very severe window damage. It was remarked that while the windows are not original to the house they are original to the period. Mr. Fagan stated that many of the windows do not fit, there are gaps between the casings and the windows.

Owner Paul DelNero stated that they would be willing to store windows for future use. Member Cabral noted that the three windows are on the rear (south elevation) of the house

Chairman Lima invited comments from the public. Mrs. DelNero stated that they have an interest in preserving the historic material and are attempting to keep as much as possible during rehabilitating the house.

A motion was made to approve Application 13-006 as presented to remove and replace the door awning as shown in Exhibit BB, replace bulkhead door as presented in Exhibit CC. Approve replacement of three 2nd story windows on south elevation with Brosco wood windows as shown in Exhibit FF. Windows removed are to be stored on the premises for future reference or use. The decision is in accordance with Secretary of the Interior Standards #6, 9, 10 (Enright/Cabral 3-1 (Butler against)).

Findings of Facts include that this decision conforms to the Secretary of the Interior Standards: 6, 9, 10. Also, the windows to be replaced were determined not original to house and the windows now in the openings do not fit.

Project Monitor: John Allen

Member Hertfelder was reseated on the Commission.

Staff Report:

Staff Approvals – February = 1, copy attached

Project Monitor Report(s) - none

Old Business - none

Adjourn:

A motion to adjourn was unanimously passed at 8:30PM

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Date Approved: April 4, 2013

MONTHLY SIGN-OFF REPORT
February, 2013

DATE	APP. NO.	ADDRESS	WORK DESCRIPTION – In Kind
2/19	13-011	711 Hope	Replace front storm door